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A Shock for Mavis



1. One evening, Toby and Henrietta arrived at the quarry to take the quarrymen home from work. Mavis was there and she decided to have some fun with them. "Have you two seen any of the little men that work in the quarry at night?"

2. Toby gulped, "Little men in the quarry at night, I don't believe you!" Mavis continued, "Haven't you noticed how tidy it is when you arrive in the mornings? The Trolls do that. They're little men made of stone who only come out at night!"

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3. As Toby and Henrietta took the quarrymen home, Toby called to them, "Have any of you seen the Trolls



that work in the quarry at night?" The quarrymen laughed, "Trolls?" they exclaimed. "That Mavis is having a joke with you!"



5. On the way, Toby whispered to Henrietta, "The Fat Controller never goes to the quarry at night, what can he be up to?" "Who knows," Henrietta replied. "But it's nearly dark and I'm worried about meeting those Trolls!" "Me, too!" said Toby, shaking on his tracks.

4. At the Main Station, the last of the quarrymen stepped out of Henrietta. Toby was just about to go to his shed when The Fat Controller called out, "I know it's late, Toby and Henrietta, but you're going back to the quarry, and I'm coming too!"



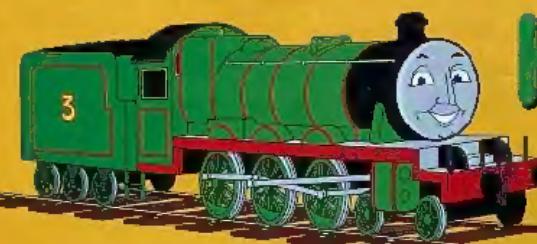
6. When they reached the quarry, Mavis was still working and she didn't notice them arrive. "I'm choosing some scrap stone for my rockery," explained The Fat Controller to Toby and Henrietta. "I don't have time to come here in the day, so I thought now would be a good time to do it."



7. Minutes later, Mavis came across. "What are you two doing at the quarry at this time of night?" she hooted. Toby had a brainwave, "We've come to see the Trolls, and we've spotted one already, look, over there with the wheelbarrow!"

8. Toby continued, "It's like you said, Mavis, he's tidying up the quarry!" It was Mavis' turn to gulp, "I h.h..hope he's friendly, I have to spend the night here!" Then, as the figure drew nearer, Mavis gasped, "He looks a lot like The Fat Controller!" Toby chuckled, "Well, it is The Fat Controller really! I had you fooled for a moment though, didn't I, Mavis!"





Henry's

Poor Mavis was pulling lots of trucks of coal when she skidded on an icy rail and slid off the track!

Counting Time

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



How many of each of these things can you spot in the big picture?

Write the numbers in the circles.

tractors



workmen



diesels

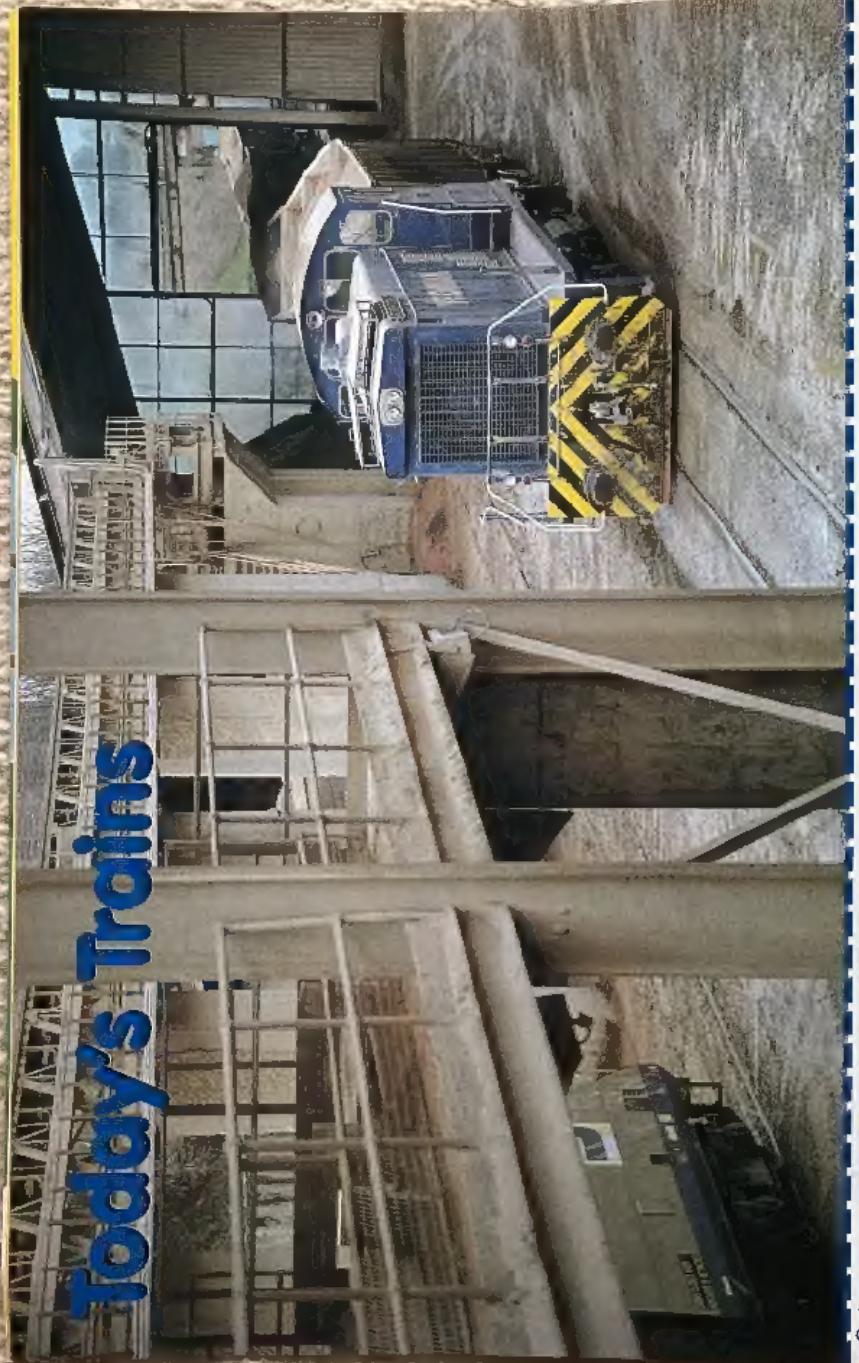


cars



signs





Here is a diesel engine working hard at Foster Yeoman's quarry in Somerset. Stone is sent from here to places all over the country. The stone is used to build roads, viaducts and bridges. **Point to the stripes on the engine. What colours are they?**



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All about Quarries!

Look out, it's the Troublesome Trucks! They're at the quarry waiting to be loaded up with stone.

How many pipes can you see on the ground?



Here's Mavis, the diesel engine. She works hard at the quarry nearly every day.

What colour jackets are the two men wearing?

Mavis has a lot to learn about trucks! They do like to play tricks on her! Fortunately, Toby is usually around to help her and she's learning to become a Really Useful Engine.

Can you spot a crane in this picture?



Mavis is going to take some of these trucks full of stone to the harbour. There, the stone will be loaded onto boats and delivered to places all around Sodor.

What colour is the lorry?



Quarry Counting!

You'd find all of these things at Sodor Quarry.
Count how many things are in each row and write the numbers in the circles.



cranes

If one of the cranes had to go to the harbour, how many cranes would be left?

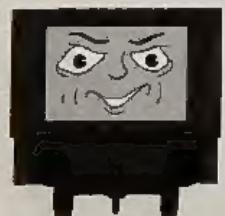


shovels

Draw one more shovel. Now how many shovels are there altogether?



truck



Draw one more truck. Now how many trucks are there altogether?



workmen

If two more workmen came to help at the quarry, how many workmen would there be altogether?



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Landslide!

The Diesel was rumbling along the tracks when suddenly, WHOOSH, there was a landslide and he was half buried in earth!

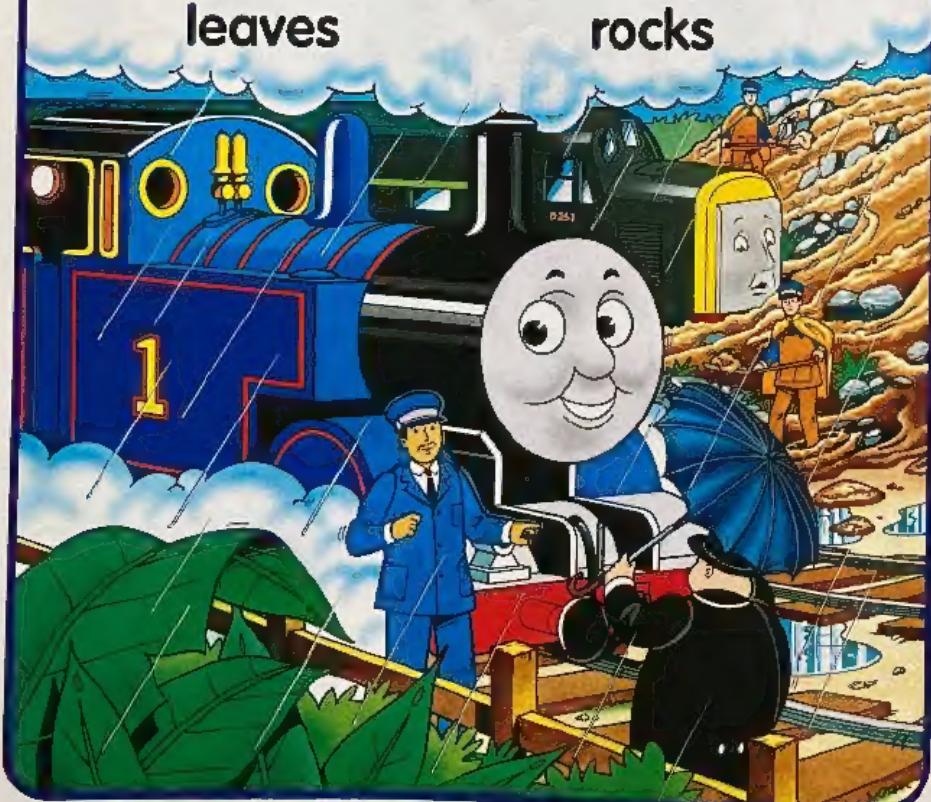
Read the words below. Then find each thing in the big picture and say what colour they are.

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men's capes

leaves

rocks

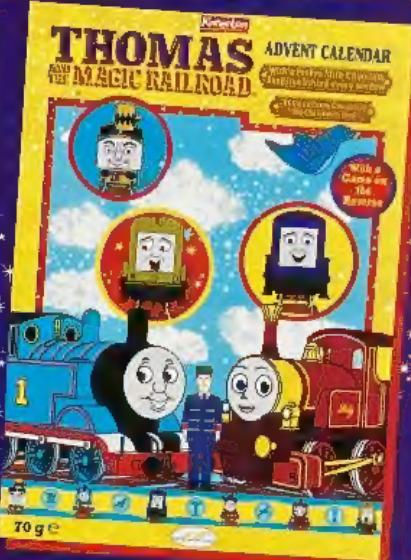


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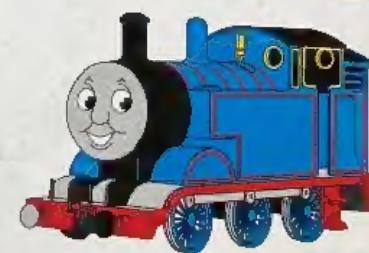
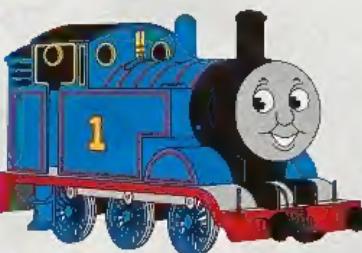
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Look at the pictures of Thomas below. In picture b there are 5 differences – can you find them?

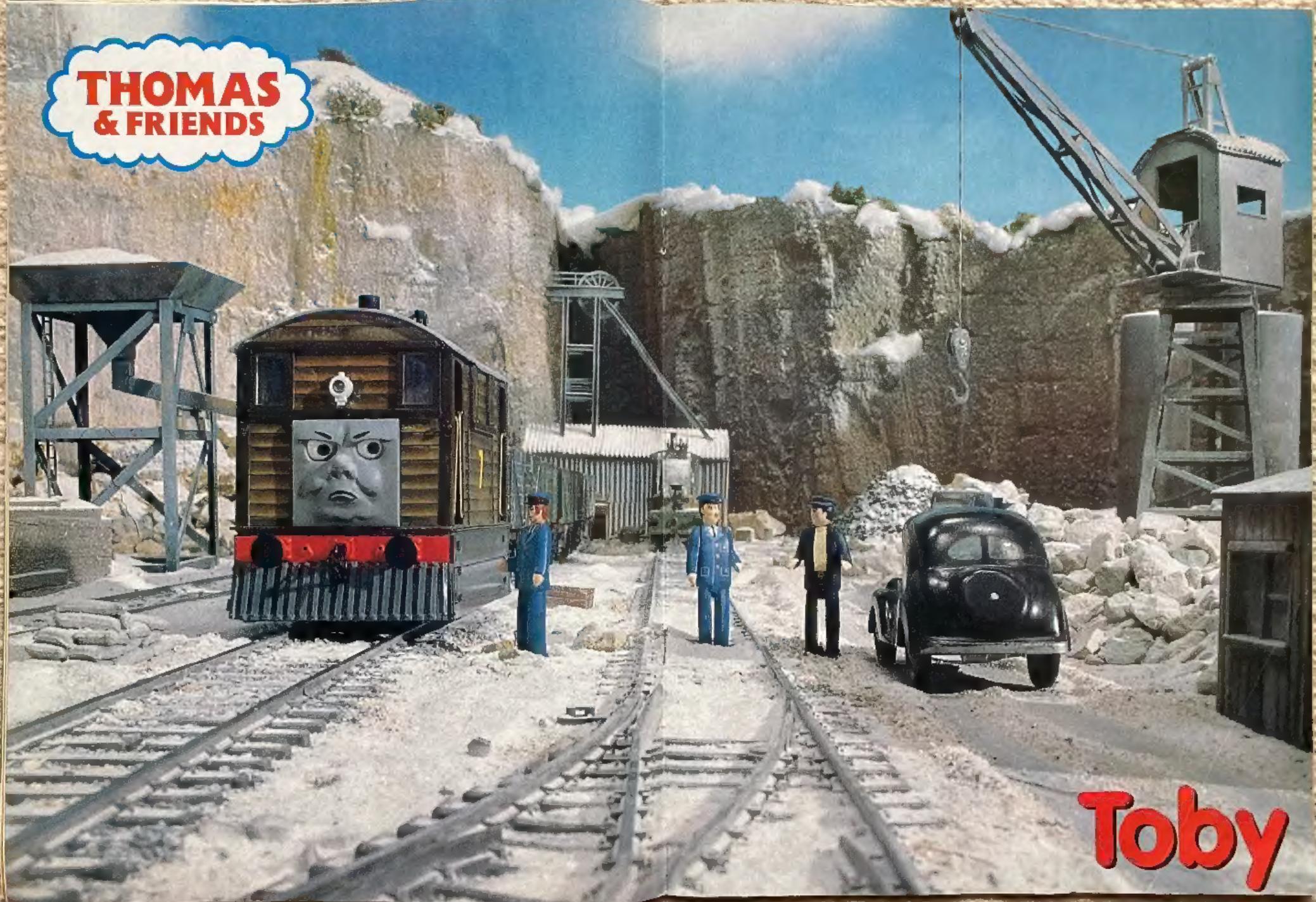


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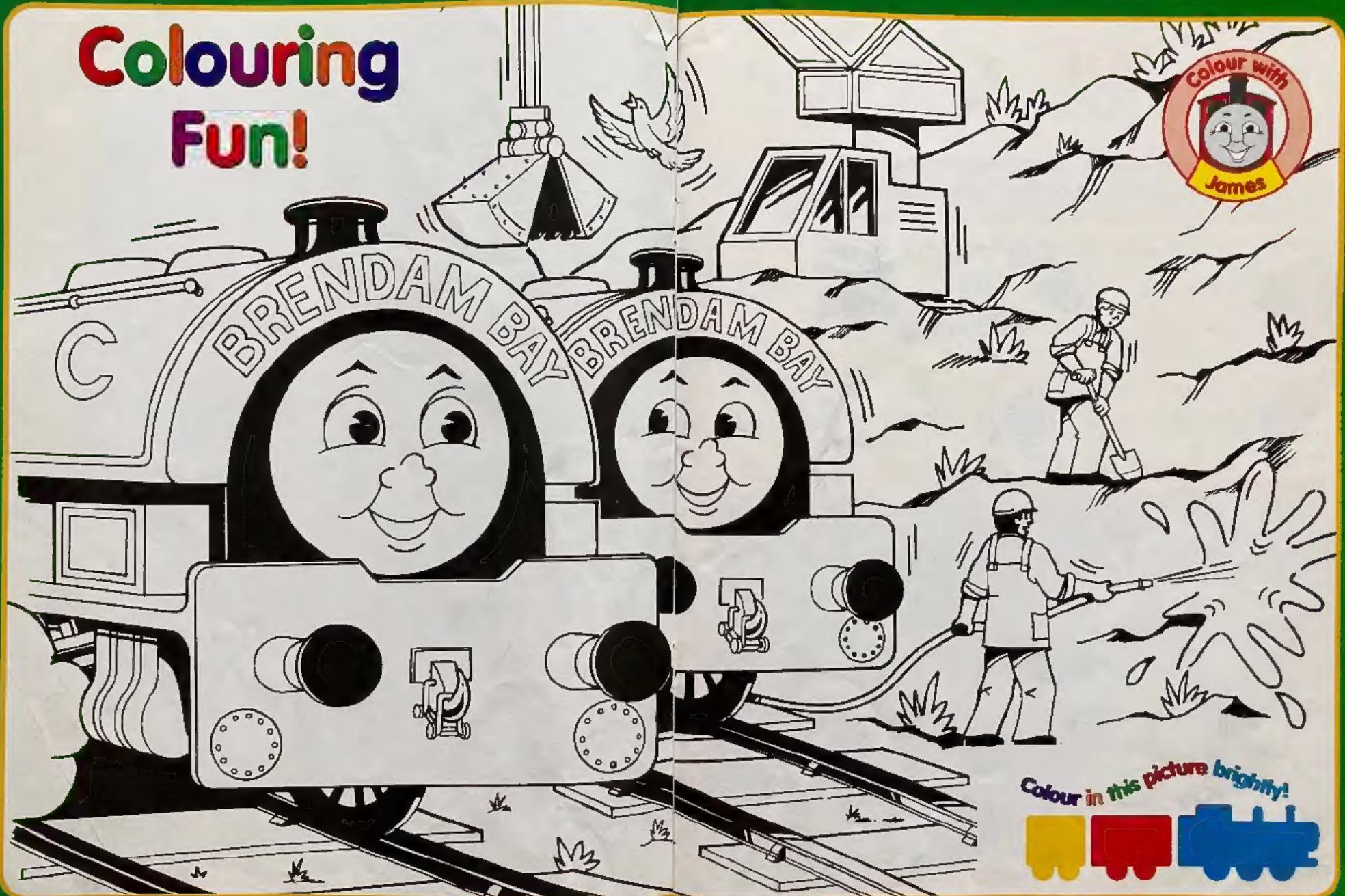
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Toby

Colouring Fun!





Toby's Treat!

Trace over the words below. Then read Rusty's rhyme and when you see a picture, say the right word!



As Toby pulled up at the big Sodor Quarry,



were arriving aboard a works



They used a strong



to lift up the stone,

"Is that for me?" they heard Toby moan.

"Carrying



is all that I do.

It would be nice to see something new!"

The quarry boss thought, "I have an idea!

A party for Toby next time he is here!"

So when he came back, Toby had a surprise,



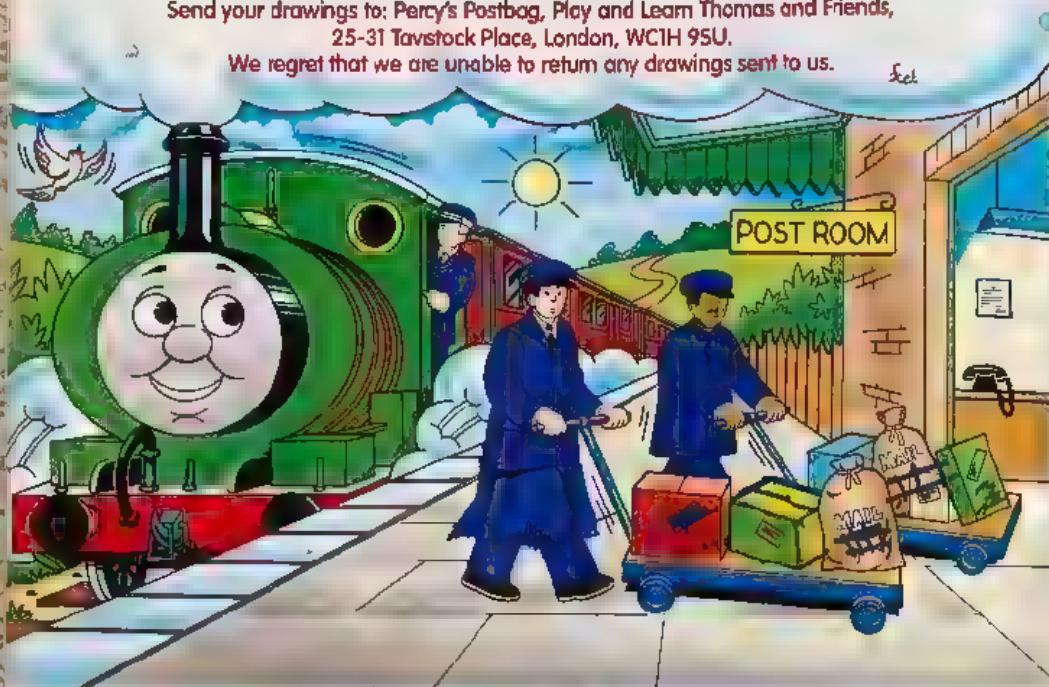
and dancing now greeted his eyes!

"Thank you!" laughed Toby. "I must come here more!"

Why, this is a sight I've not seen before!"

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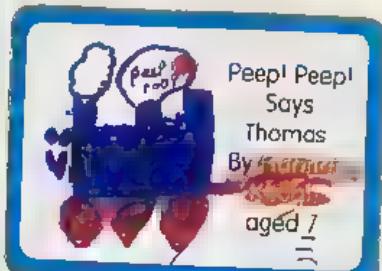
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Thomas Drake, aged 5



Percy's the perfect engine
By Paul Forey, aged 3.4-5



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Star Letter



Harry receives one of these
splendid push along
Thomas from TOMY



Gordon's trip to the country
By Robert Lister, aged 4-1000
Dead



The Fat Controller would like to say Happy
Birthday to... Stephen
Westcott, aged 8. Thomas
O'Reilly, aged 6
Jonathan Eastwood,
aged 15 Jake Tew
aged 2 Steven
Edeson, aged 6 Megan
Addison, aged 8 Sean
Ridley, aged 1 Connor
Honeyball, aged 5 William
Inwood, aged 8 Aynsley Herman, aged 12
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aged 14 Daniel Rainbow, aged 7 Samuel
Toscano, aged 8.

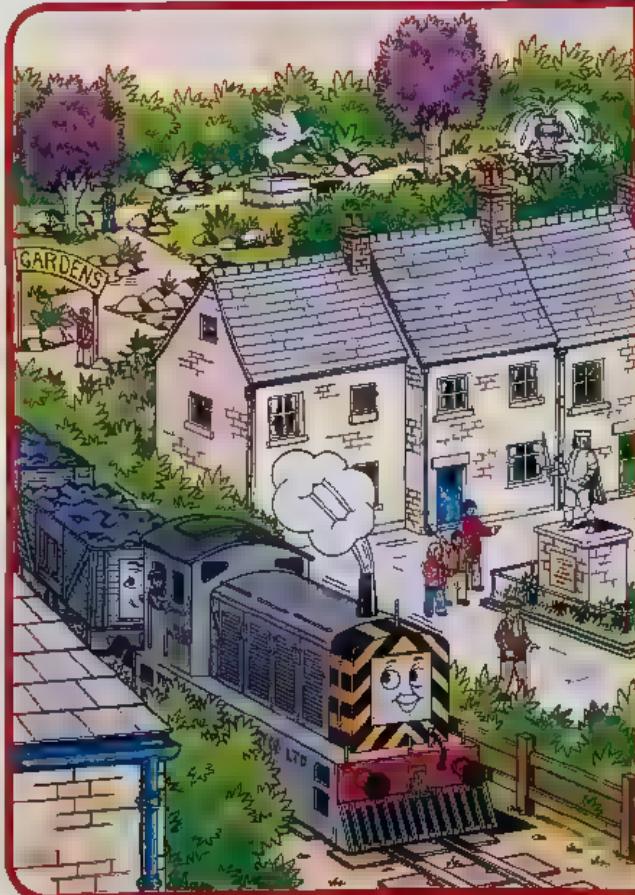
If you'd
like a birthday mention, send
details of at least 16 weeks in advance,
on a postcard please, to the address
at the top of the page.



Delivering Coal!

Mavis is taking these trucks of coal to a big town.

People will burn the coal in their home fires to make sure they keep warm in the cold weather.



Can you find all these things in the big picture?

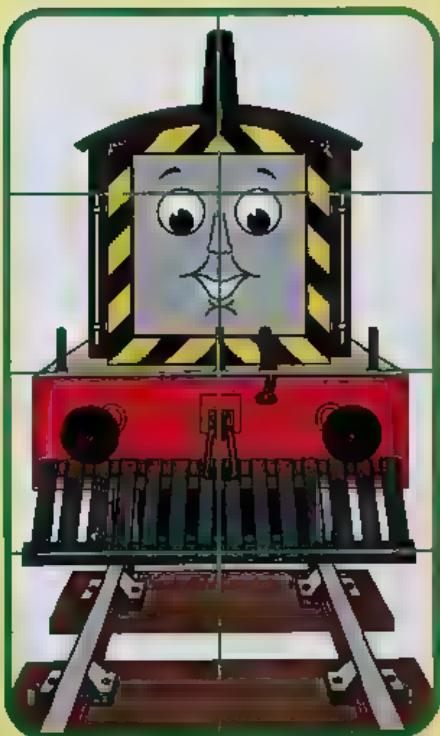
Tick the circles as you find each one.



Diesel Double!



Can you copy this picture of Mavis into the space below, using the grid to help you?



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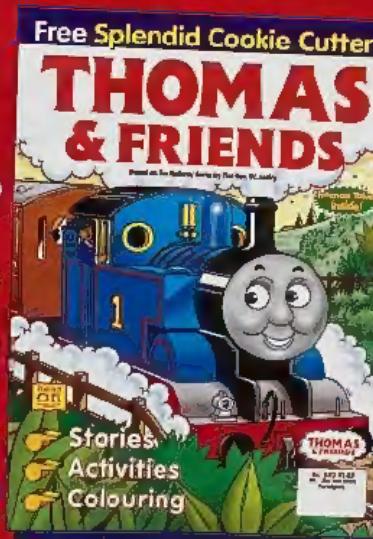
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with a truck to spare...



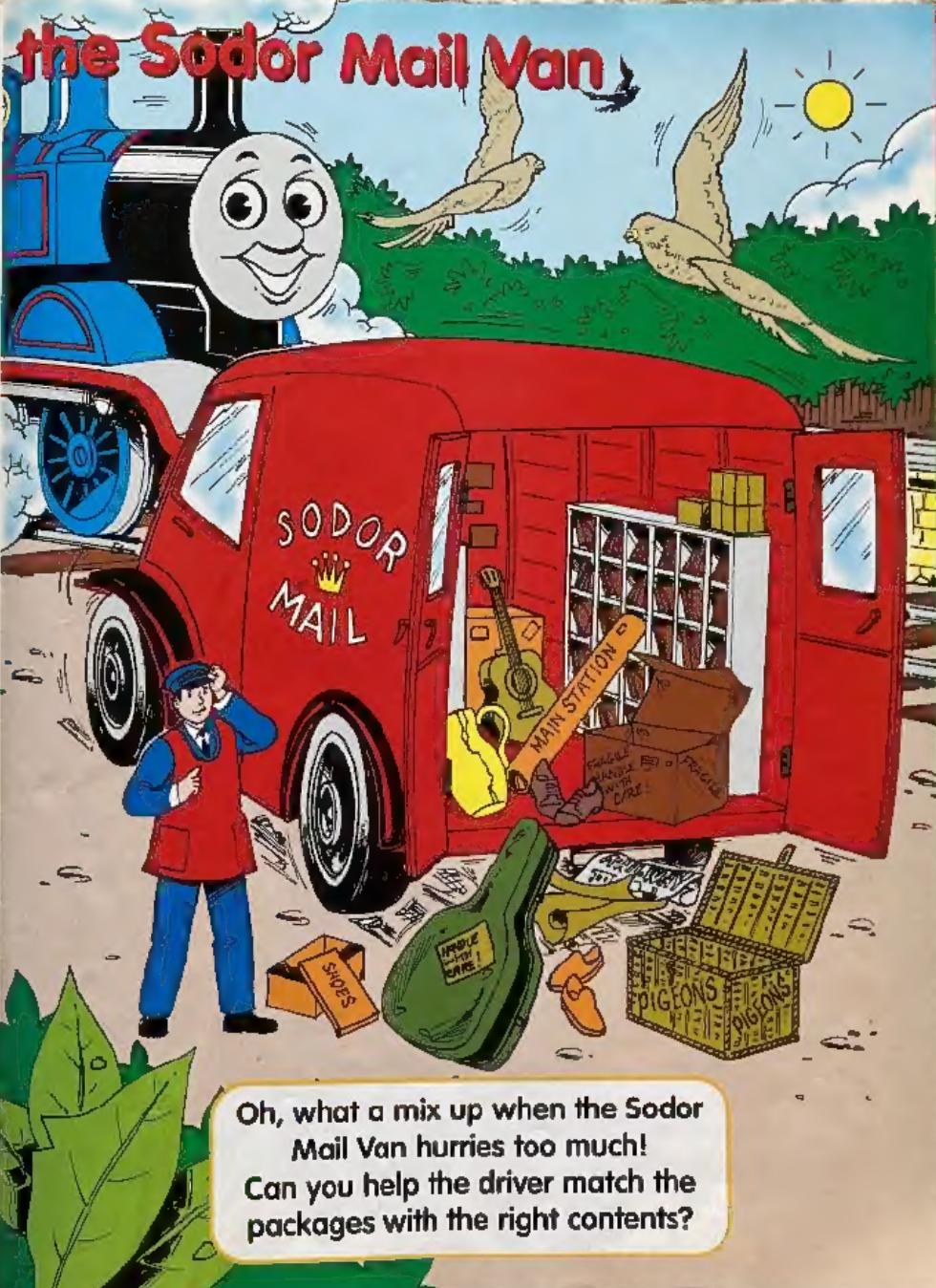
... he calls out to his fretting friend,
"You've lots of parcels there!"



Some are marked, 'MAIN STATION'
now that's a bit of luck...



... it's where I always end up,
so I'll take them on my truck!"

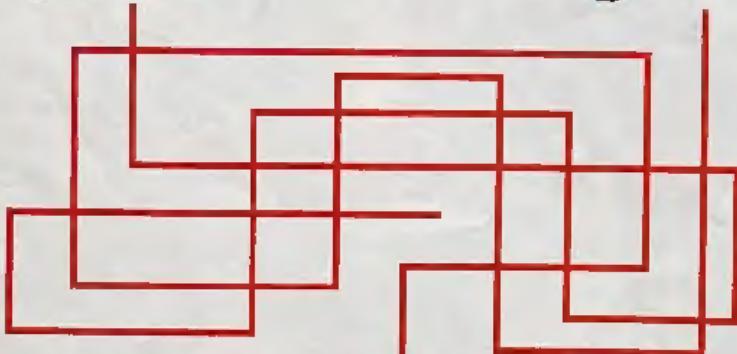


Oh, what a mix up when the Sodor
Mail Van hurries too much!
Can you help the driver match the
packages with the right contents?



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